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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: RHODESIAN INTERNAL SETTLEMENT

1. "LONDON, WHICH SHOULD IN PRINCIPLE BE PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE WHITE RHODESIAN MINORITY TO STOP IAN SMITH'S MADNESS, SEEMS TO BE RENOUNCING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES," ACCORDING TO ASSISTANT EDITOR PASSY NDONGANI NGOMA OF KINSHASA DAILY ELIMA, APRIL 1.
2. EDITORIAL THEN QUOTES UN AMBASSADOR YOUNG AS ACCUSING LONDON OF FAILING IN ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN RHODESIAN CONFLICT, ADDING" THE MOST DIASTROUS THING FOR AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY WOULD BE A RACE WAR IN SOUTHERN AFRICA WHICH WOULD RISK INVOLVING THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT."
3. ARTICLE CITES "A SOURCE AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT" AS SAYING THAT THERE IS THE POSSIBLITY OF A MEETING IN LAGOS OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FRONT LINE STATES WHICH WOULD COINCIDE WITH PRESIDENT CARTER'S VISIT.
4. NOTING LUKEWARM U.S. POSITION ON INTERNAL SETTLEMENT, COMMENTARY QUOTES AMBASSADOR YOUNG SAYIN," IF PRESIDENT CARTER WERE TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH SOMETHING WHICH WOULD RESULT IN
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THE MASSACRE OR EXPULSION OF RHODESIAN WHITES, IT WOULD DISCREDIT ALL THAT HE HAS TRIED TO DO.."

5. NEVERTHELESS, COMMENTARY CONTINUES "MORE THAN ONE OBSERVER FEELS THAT THE WEST HAS FAILED IN ITS ATTEMPTS TO MAKE IAN SMITH COME TO HIS SENSES. THE PROOF OF THIS IS THE FACT THAT UNTIL NOW, NO ONE HAS BEEN ABLE TO STOP THE CONTINUING MASSIVE

DESTRUCTION OF THE BLACK RACE IN RHODESIA. STILL, IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE SEEING FUTURE DISCUSSIONS ON THE RHODESIAN CONFLICT CENTER AROUND THE BASIC ELEMENTS OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PLAN," SAYS MR. PASSY WHO FEELS THAT THIS WOULD BE BETTER THAN SEEING HAVANA AID THE ZIMBABWEAN GUERRILLAS "WHO WISH TO REGAIN THEIR FREEDOM BY THE USE OF ARMS."

6. MR. PASSY BELIEVES THAT THE CUBANS "ARE READY AT THE SLIGHTEST PRETEXT," TO INTERVENE IN RHODESIAN SITUATION. HE NOTES THAT SIGNATORIES TO INTERNAL SETTLEMENT REFUSE TO LET ANYTHING STAND IN THE WAY OF THEIR PLAN.

7. EDITORIAL CONCLUDES PESSIMISTICALLY THAT "AS ONE CAN SEE, A JUST AF LASTING PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEMIS NOWHERE IN SIGHT." ITEM
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